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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: Background Note on the NIOs

1. Attached is a roster of NIOs and Assistants designated to date.
2. In discussing this subject with the PFIAB, you might want to present it along the following lines.

- a. There will be a total of eleven substantive NIOs. (Note. This figure does not include me, nor does it include [redacted])

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- b. Eight of these eleven have been designated, three are still to be selected.

- c. Seven of the initial eight are from CIA, but they are drawn from a fairly broad spectrum of Agency components.

- (1) Two are former members of the Board of National Estimates

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- (2) One is from OCI [redacted]

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- (3) One is from the SALT delegation support staff (Stoertz)

- (4) One is from the DDO (Critchfield)

- (5) One is from the DCI's office and actually comes -- in a real sense -- from the NSC Staff [redacted]

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- (6) One belonged administratively to ONE but actually came from the DCI's Vietnamese Affairs Staff [redacted]

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d. One of the initial eight is an active

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e. All three of the remaining NIOs will probably be chosen from outside the Agency.

f. As for the Assistants, five have been chosen. Two come from CIA, three from the military services:

(1) Of the two from CIA, one is from OER and one from the former ONE Staff

(2) Of the three military officers, the Strategic Programs Assistant is an active duty Air Force officer. The Middle East and Latin America Assistants are both active duty Army officers.

g. If we have any recruiting luck in the Foreign Service, at least one of the six Assistants yet to be chosen will come from the Foreign Service. Two (Conventional Forces and Economic Affairs) will be Agency officers serving non-Agency NIOs. The remaining three will be the best people we can find from throughout the community.

h. Note that as of this writing, only two Agency NIOs and Critchfield) have Agency Assistants.

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